



Disabled Access Regulations Drinking Fountains

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In new construction, where only one drinking fountain area is provided on a floor, there shall be a drinking fountain which is accessible to individuals who use wheelchairs in accordance with Plumbing Code Sec. 1507.0 and one accessible to those who have difficulty bending or stooping. This can be accommodated by the use of "hi-low" fountains, or by such other means as would achieve the required accessibility for each group or on each floor. **Sec. 1117.B.1.1, Fig. 11B-3 and Sec. 1507.0 of the California Plumbing Code (CPC).**

Drinking fountains shall be located completely within alcoves or otherwise positioned so as not to encroach into pedestrian ways. The alcove in which the water fountain is located shall be not less than 32" in width and 18" in depth. **Sec. 1117.B.1.2, Fig. 11B-3 and Sec. 1507.3 of the California Plumbing Code (CPC).**

Low drinking fountains shall be a minimum of 18" in depth and there shall be a clear and unobstructed knee space under the drinking fountain not less than 27" in height and 8" in depth, the

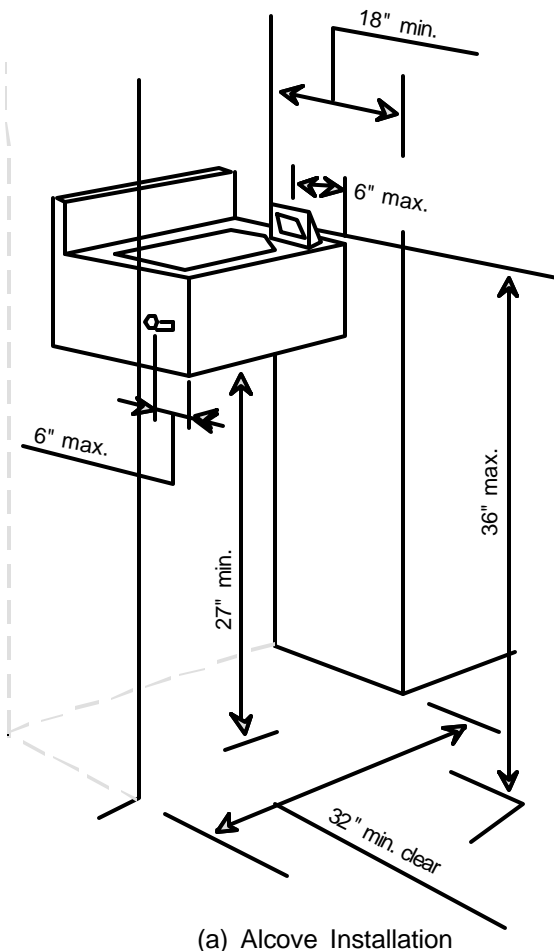
depth measurement being taken from the front edge of the low fountain. **Sec. 1507.3.1 of CPC & Fig. 11B-3.**

There shall be toe clearance of 9" in height above the floor, and 17" in depth from the front edge of the fountain. **Sec. 1507.3.1 of CPC.**

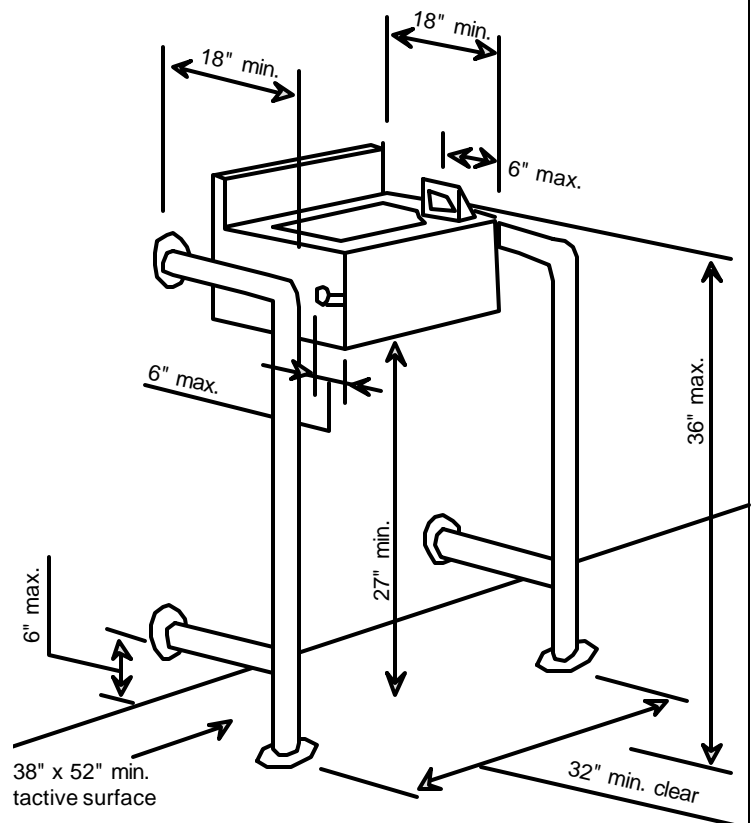
A side approach to the low drinking fountain is not acceptable. **Sec. 1507.3.1 of CPC.**

The low drinking fountain bubbler shall be activated by a manually operated system not requiring a force greater than 5lbf (22.2 N) that is located within 6 inches (152 mm) of the front edge of the fountain or an electronically controlled device (preferably). **Sec. 1507.3.3 of CPC & Fig. 11B-3.**

The bubbler outlet orifice shall be located within 6" of the front of the low drinking fountain and shall be within 36" of the floor. The water stream from the bubbler shall be substantially Parallel to the front edge of the drinking fountain. **Sec. 1507.3.3 of CPC & Fig. 11B-3.**



(a) Alcove Installation



(b) Non-Alcove, Wing Wall Installation

Fig. 11B-3

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